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(54) **MULTIPLE-ROLL TOILET TISSUE HOLDER AND DISPENSER**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A toilet tissue holder-dispenser for holding a toilet tissue roll and allowing dispensing of toilet tissue therefrom, the toilet tissue holder-dispenser being usable by an intended user, the toilet tissue holder-dispenser including a housing defining a spare storing section and a distinct dispensing section, the dispensing section defining a dispensing aperture, the toilet tissue roll being alternatively positionable within the spare storing section and the dispensing section, the housing defining a guiding slot extending therethrough between the spare storing and dispensing sections. A roll supporting component is provided for supporting the toilet tissue roll, the roll supporting component extending through the guiding slot, the roll supporting component defining a protruding section protruding outwardly from the housing through the guiding slot, the protruding section being graspable by the intended user, the roll supporting component being movable between a spare storing position and a dispensing position, the guiding slot guiding a movement of the roll supporting component between the spare storing and dispensing positions. Moving the roll supporting component between the spare storing and dispensing positions moves the toilet tissue roll between respectively the spare storing and dispensing sections.

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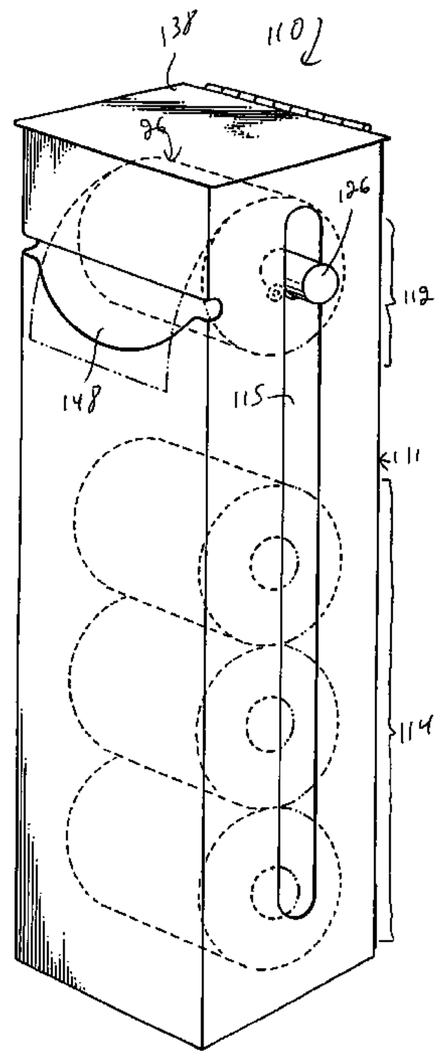

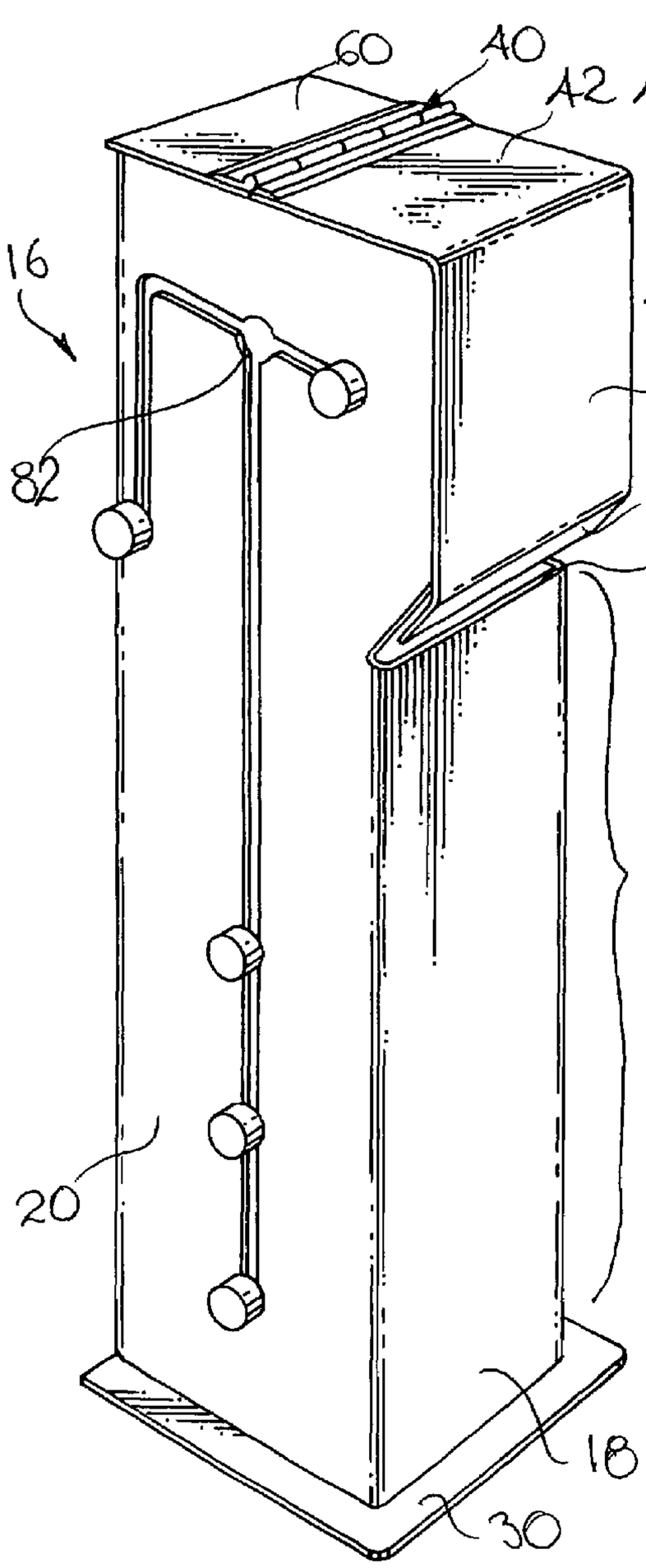
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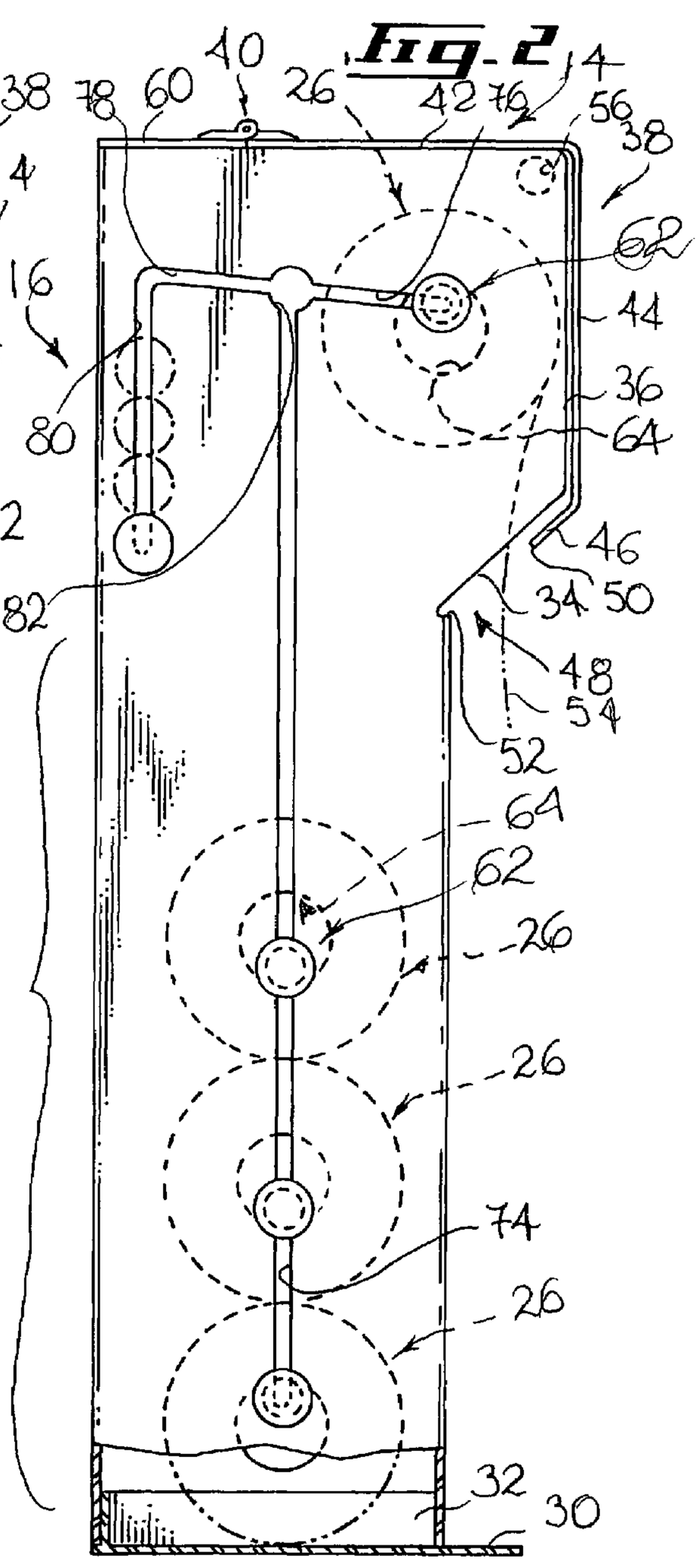
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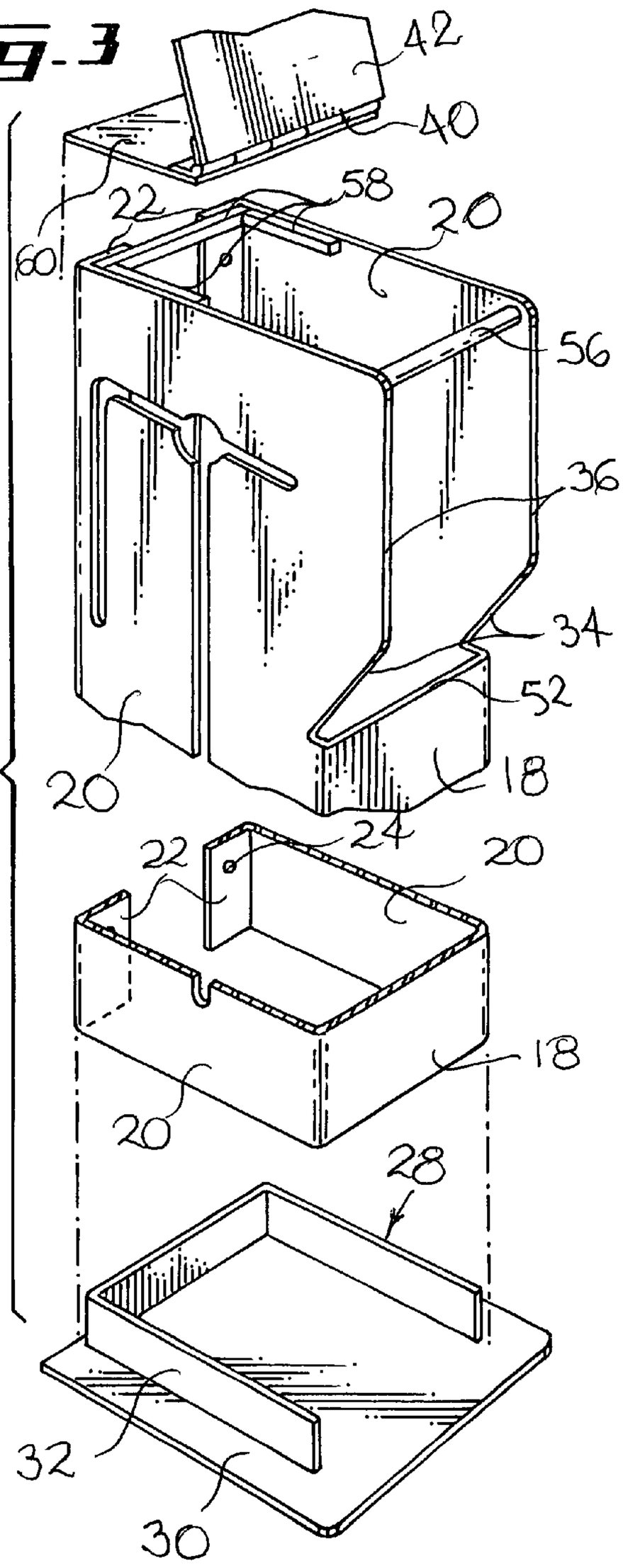

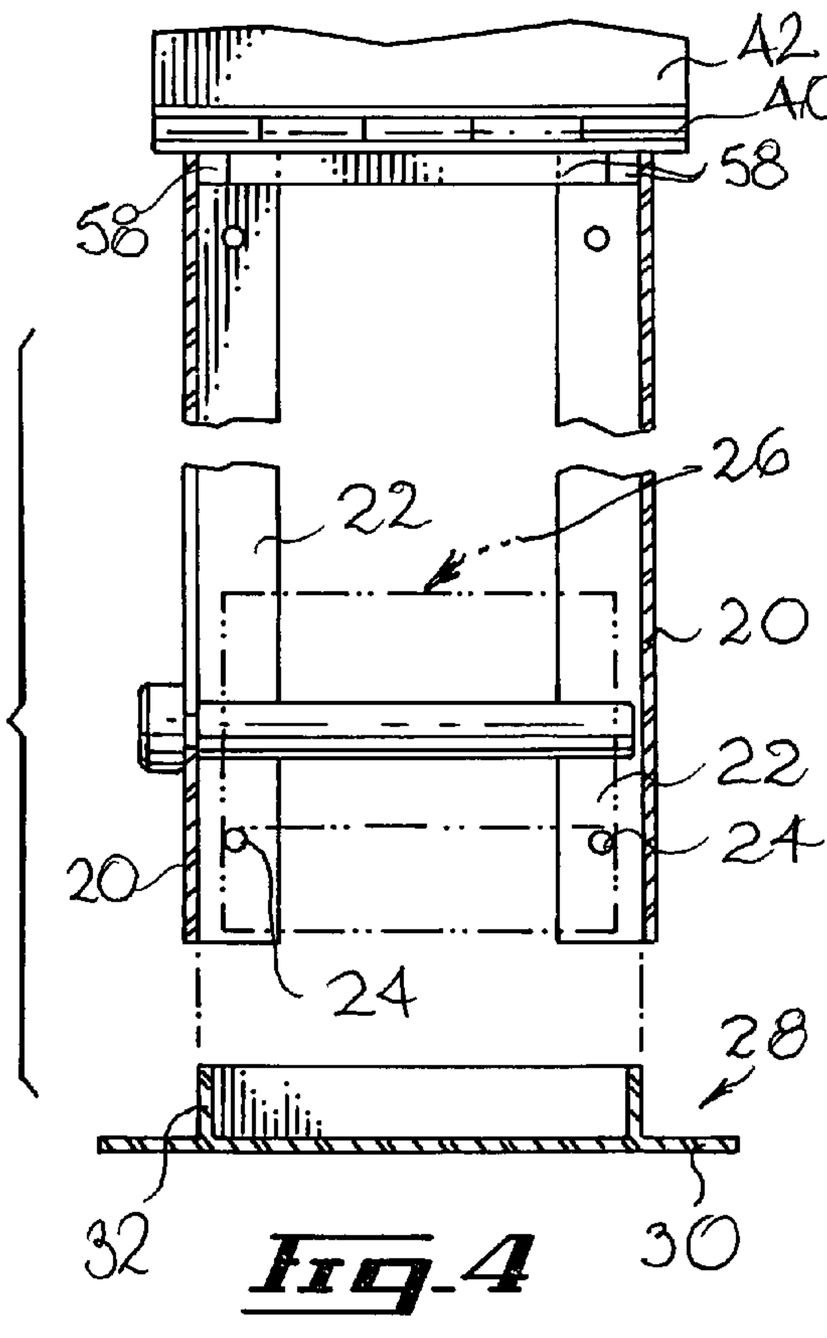

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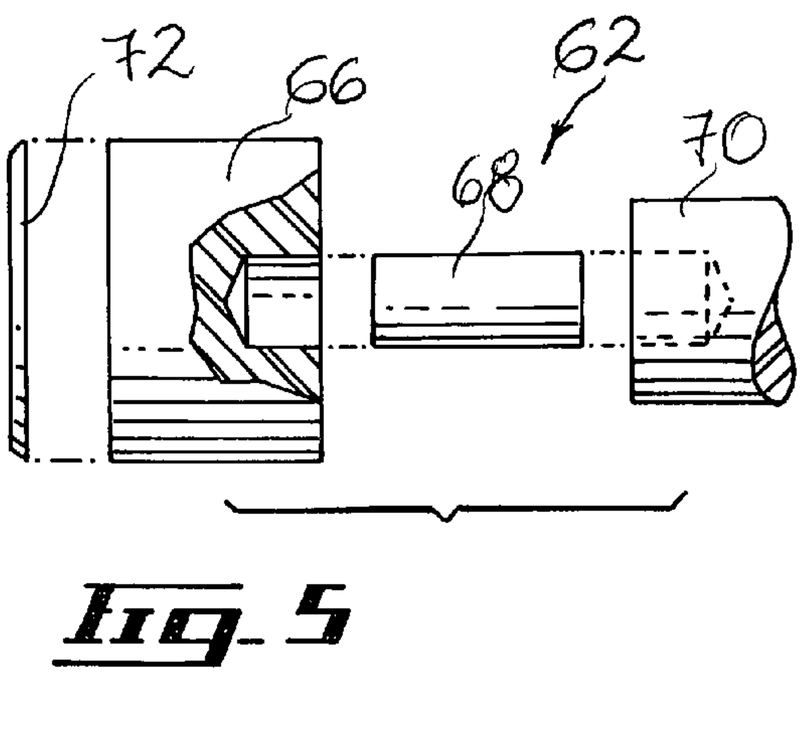

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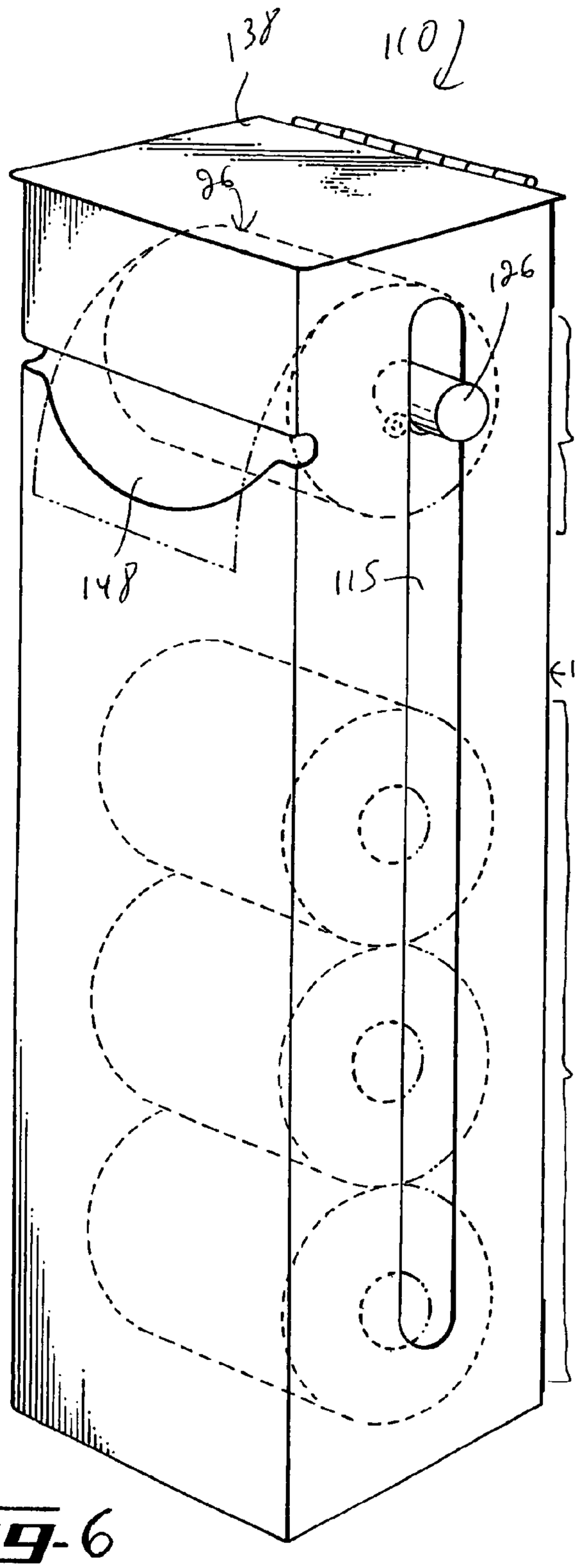

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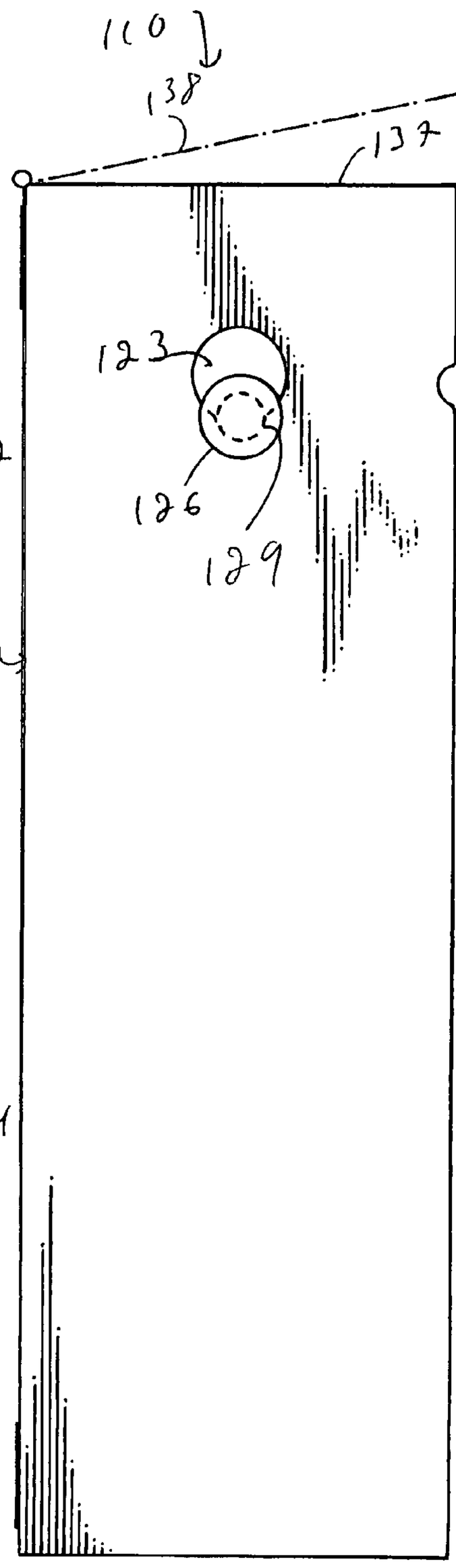

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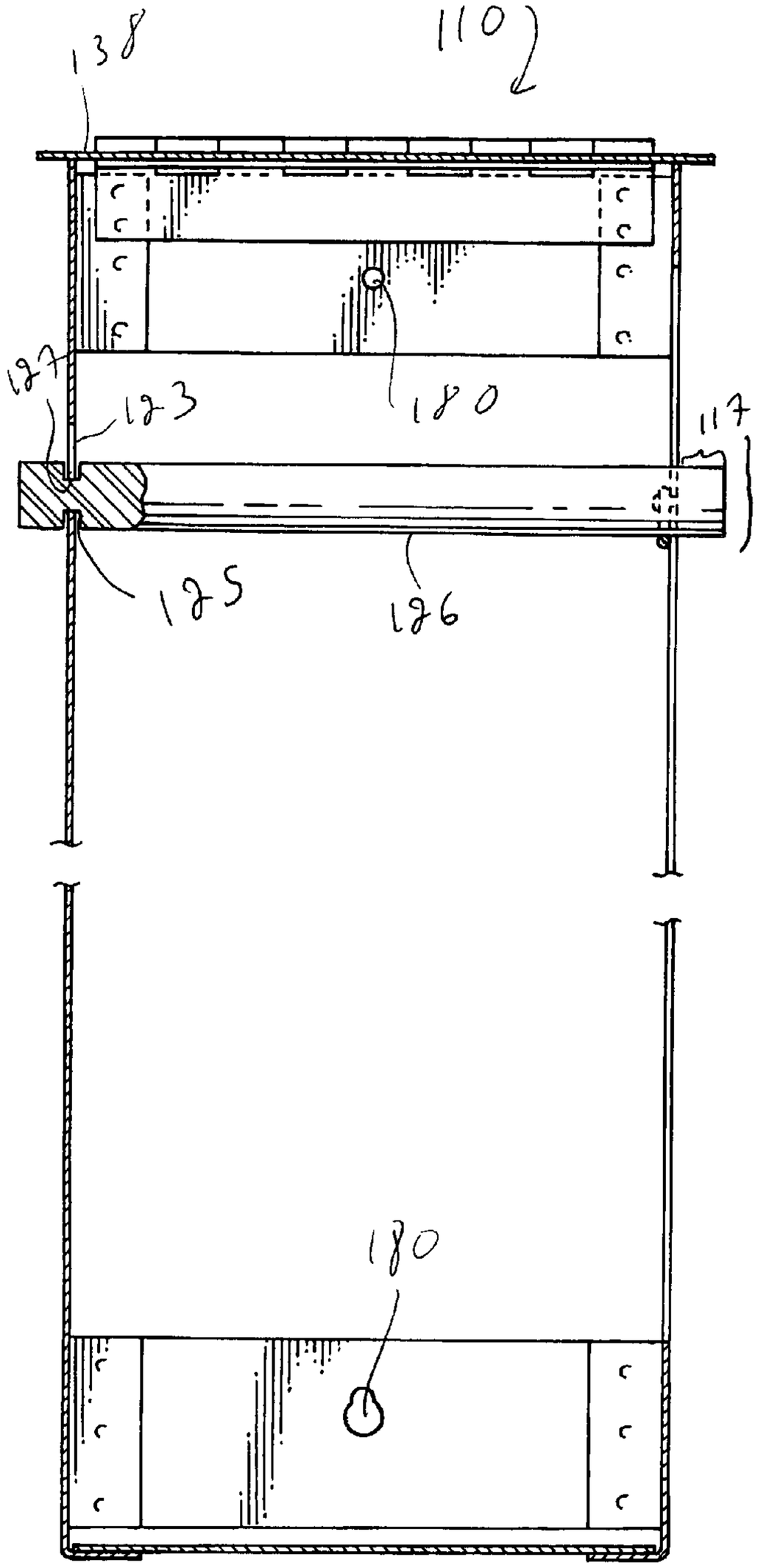

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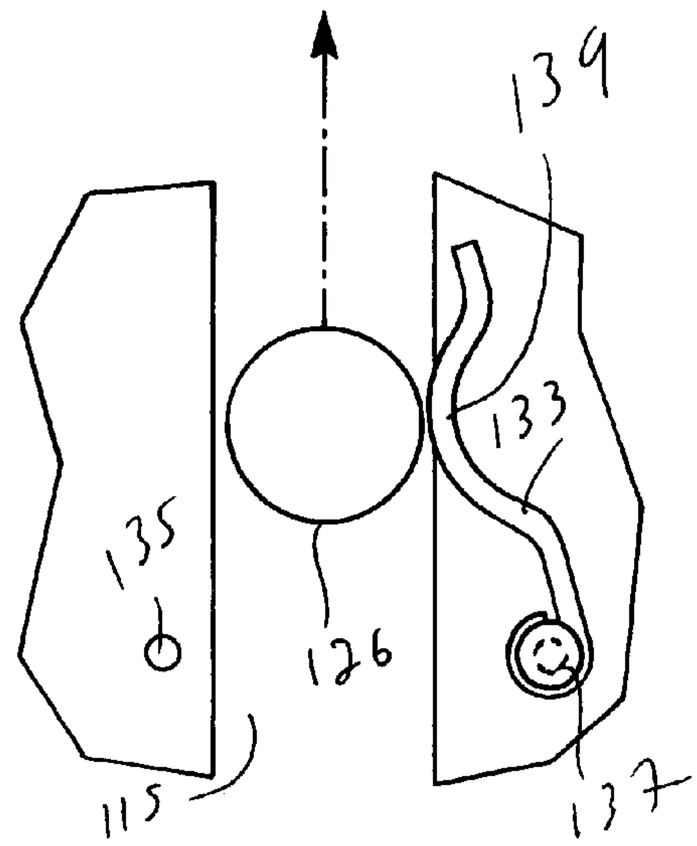

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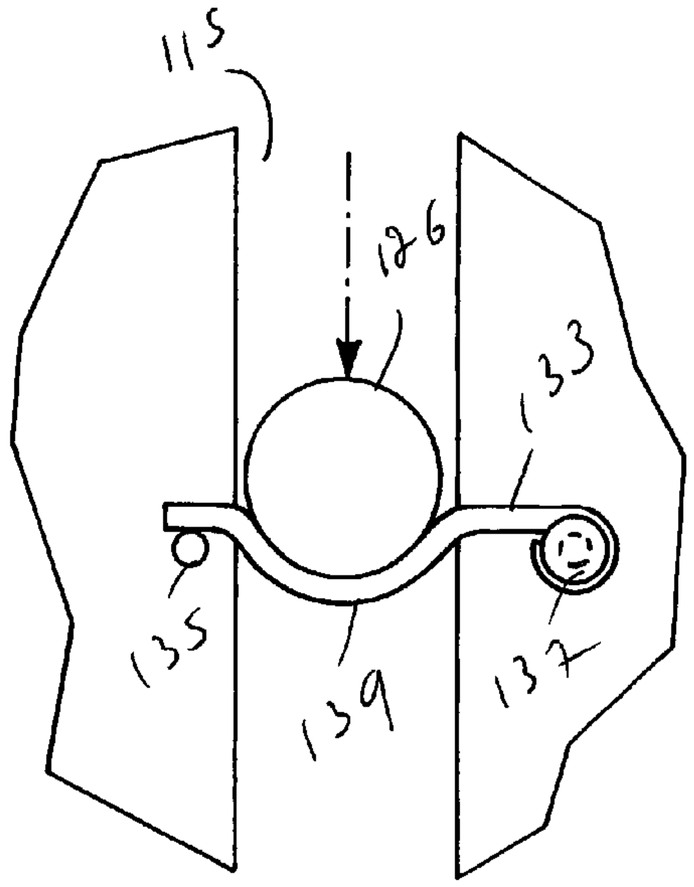

Fig. 10

MULTIPLE-ROLL TOILET TISSUE HOLDER AND DISPENSER

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to the general field of toilet tissue dispensers and is particularly concerned with a multiple-roll toilet tissue holder and dispenser.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Toilet tissue dispensers come in a variety of shapes and styles. Typically, most dispensers include two posts or prongs that extend outwardly and at a right angle from a bathroom wall. The posts are positioned far enough apart so that a spring-loaded cylinder, having a roll of tissue paper thereon, may be fitted between the posts and removably coupled thereto.

An empty roll of toilet tissue can be not only a source of embarrassment, but also an inconvenience. When a tissue roll in a home dispenser is empty, a new roll of tissue must be obtained from wherever these rolls are stored in anticipation of usage. Oftentimes, however, additional rolls of toilet tissue are not stored in a place that is convenient when needed.

While the problem resulting from an empty toilet tissue roll is often annoying in the case of a single bathroom home, it can be even more bothersome when there are two or more toilet facilities in the home. This is particularly the case when the toilet facilities are located at a remote distance from the storage cabinet used for spare rolls or tissue, such as may well be the case in a multi-floor dwelling.

Those confronted with the inconveniences of an empty roll of toilet tissue are oftentimes older persons, or persons physically incapacitated. In these cases, it is often most difficult for such a person to obtain a new roll of toilet tissue, no matter how close by the spares may be stored.

In recognition of this problem, the solution proposed in the prior is to provide two single roll dispensers in a side by side relationship relative to each other, so that a spare roll of toilet tissue will be readily available for use when, and if, needed. This type of solution has, however, typically been limited to public institutions such as office buildings, service stations and the like. Oftentimes, this solution has been found unsatisfactory, because tissue from each of the rolls is available simultaneously for use and such tissue is sometimes wasted by some users.

There have been developments, over the years, of a variety of dispensers which hold and store a multiplicity of rolls of toilet tissue. With one such dispenser commonly found in public institutions, only one roll of tissue is made available for use at a time, while another roll is held as a spare. Access to the spare roll requires a key, however, and a new roll of tissue is provided only when the janitorial service or the like makes it available. This being the case, the need for the spare roll of tissue often occurs before it becomes available.

Accordingly, there exists a need for an improved multiple-roll holder and dispenser. It is a general object of the present invention to provide such an improved multiple-roll holder and dispenser.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

In a first broad aspect, the invention provides a toilet tissue holder-dispenser for holding a toilet tissue roll and allowing dispensing of toilet tissue therefrom, the toilet tissue holder-dispenser being usable by an intended user, the toilet tissue holder-dispenser comprising:

a housing, the housing defining a spare storing section and a distinct dispensing section, the dispensing section defining a dispensing aperture, the toilet tissue roll being alternatively positionable within the spare storing section and the dispensing section, the housing defining a guiding slot extending therethrough between the spare storing and dispensing sections; and

a roll supporting component for supporting the toilet tissue roll, the roll supporting component extending through the guiding slot, the roll supporting component defining a protruding section protruding outwardly from the housing through the guiding slot, the protruding section being graspable by the intended user, the roll supporting component being movable between a spare storing position and a dispensing position, the guiding slot guiding a movement of the roll supporting component between the spare storing and dispensing positions;

wherein when the roll supporting component supports the toilet tissue roll,

when the roll supporting component is in the spare storing position, the toilet tissue roll is located within the spare storing section;

when the roll supporting component is in the dispensing position, the toilet tissue roll is located within the dispensing section and positioned to allow dispensing of the toilet tissue from the dispensing aperture; and

moving the roll supporting component between the spare storing and dispensing positions moves the toilet tissue roll between respectively the spare storing and dispensing sections.

Advantages of the present invention include that the proposed toilet tissue roll holder and dispenser allows for one roll to be supported in a dispensing position, and an additional roll or rolls to be held in a spare storing position and moved to the dispensing position when the roll in the dispensing position is exhausted. Hence, the proposed holder and dispenser is adapted to reduce the risk of living the embarrassing and inconveniencing situation of having to deal with an empty roll of toilet tissue.

Furthermore, the proposed holder and dispenser allows for the rolls in the spare storing position to be easily moved to an overlying dispensing position through a set of quick and ergonomic steps without requiring special tooling or manual dexterity.

Yet, still furthermore, the proposed holder and dispenser allows for the empty rolls to be easily moved to an empty roll storage location, again through a set of quick and ergonomical steps without requiring special tooling or manual dexterity.

Also, the proposed tissue roll holder and dispenser allows the storage or multiple spare rolls while, at the same time, covering the toilet tissue from view and providing an aesthetic and decorative external appearance.

The proposed tissue roll holder and dispenser is further designed so as to provide a structure that will be simple yet efficient and conform to conventional forms of manufacturing so as to provide a structure that will be economically feasible, long-lasting and relatively trouble-free in operation.

Other objects, advantages and features of the present invention will become more apparent upon reading of the following non-restrictive description of preferred embodi-

ments thereof, given by way of example only with reference to the accompanying drawings.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

An embodiment of the present invention will now be disclosed, by way of example, in reference to the following drawings in which:

FIG. **1**: in a perspective view, illustrates a toilet tissue holder-dispenser in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. **2**: in a longitudinal cross-sectional view, illustrates some of the internal features of the tissue roll holder-dispenser shown in FIG. **1**, the tissue roll holder-dispenser being shown with the roll in a dispensing position, a set of spare rolls in a storage position and a set of empty rolls in an empty roll storage position.

FIG. **3**: in a partial exploded view with sections taken out, illustrates some of the features of the tissue roll holder-dispenser shown in FIGS. **1** and **2**;

FIG. **4**: in a partial longitudinal cross-sectional view with sections taken out, illustrates some of the features of tissue roll holder-dispenser shown in FIGS. **1** through **3**;

FIG. **5**: in a partial elevational view with sections taken out, illustrates some of the features of a tissue roll supporting component part of the tissue roll holder-dispenser shown in FIGS. **1** through **4**;

FIG. **6**: in a perspective view, illustrates a toilet tissue holder-dispenser in accordance with another embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. **7**: in a side elevational view, illustrates the tissue roll holder-dispenser shown in FIG. **6**;

FIG. **8**: in a longitudinal cross-sectional view, illustrates some of the internal features of the tissue roll holder and dispenser shown in FIGS. **6** and **7**;

FIG. **9**: in a partial longitudinal cross-sectional view with sections taken out, illustrates a latch of tissue roll holder and dispenser shown in FIGS. **6** through **8**, the latch being shown in a latch accessing configuration;

FIG. **10**: in a partial longitudinal cross-sectional view with sections taken out, illustrates the latch of tissue roll holder and dispenser shown in FIGS. **6** through **9**, the latch being shown in a latch retaining configuration.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Referring to FIG. **1**, there is shown a toilet tissue holder-dispenser in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention, generally indicated by the reference numeral **10**. The toilet tissue holder-dispenser **10** holds a toilet tissue roll **26** and allows dispensing of toilet tissue therefrom. The toilet tissue holder-dispenser **10** is usable by an intended user.

The toilet tissue holder-dispenser **10** includes a housing **11** defining a spare holding section **12** and a distinct dispensing section **14**, the dispensing section defining a dispensing aperture **48**. The toilet tissue roll **26** is alternatively positionable within the spare storing section **12** and the dispensing section **14**. The housing **11** also defines a guiding slot **15** extending therethrough between the spare storing and dispensing sections **12** and **14**. In some embodiments of the invention, the housing **11** further defines a supporting component storing section **16**.

As better shown on FIG. **2**, a roll supporting component **62** is provided for supporting the toilet tissue roll **26**, the roll supporting component **62** extending through the guiding slot **15**. As described in further details hereinbelow, the roll supporting component **62** defines a protruding section protruding outwardly from the housing **11** through the guiding slot **15**, the protruding section being graspable by the intended user. The roll supporting component **62** is movable between a spare storing position and a dispensing position, the guiding slot **15** guiding a movement of the roll supporting component **62** between the spare storing and dispensing positions. When the roll supporting **62** component supports the toilet tissue roll **26**, the toilet tissue roll **26** is located within the spare storing section **12** when the roll supporting component **62** is in the spare storing position and the toilet tissue roll **26** is located within the dispensing section **14** and positioned to allow dispensing of the toilet tissue from the dispensing aperture **48** when the roll supporting component **62** is in the dispensing position. Moving the roll supporting component **62** between the spare storing and dispensing positions moves the toilet tissue roll **26** between respectively the spare storing and dispensing sections.

The spare storing section **12** typically has a generally elongated parallelepiped-shaped configuration. The spare storing section **12** typically includes a front wall **18** and a pair of side walls **20** (only one of which is shown in FIG. **1**).

As shown more specifically in FIGS. **3** and **4**, the rear portion of the spare storing section **12** is typically opened. Typically, a pair of rear-mounting flanges **22** extends inwardly towards each other on the opposed side walls **20** in a substantially perpendicular relationship relative to the latter. The mounting flanges **22** are provided with mounting apertures **24** extending therethrough for allowing the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **10** to be optionally mounted or secured to a vertical surface such as a partition wall.

As shown more specifically in FIG. **2**, the spare storing section **12** is configured and sized so as to be able to store at least one and typically a plurality of tissue rolls in a vertically stacked relationship relative to each other. In the embodiment shown throughout the Figures, the dispenser-holder **10** is shown adapted to store and dispense conventional toilet tissue rolls **26** (illustrated in phantom lines).

It should, however, be understood that the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **10** could be used for holding and/or dispensing other types of tissue rolls without departing from the scope of the present invention. Typically, the spare storing section **12** is configured and sized so as to be able to store the largest commercially available toilet tissue rolls **26**.

As shown more specifically in FIG. **3**, the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **10** typically further includes a base component **28**. The base component **28** is provided with a base plate **30** adapted to be rested on a substantially horizontal supporting surface such as a floor, a tabletop or the like. The base component **28** also includes a base flange **32** extending substantially upwardly from the base plate **30**. The base flange **32** is configured, sized and positioned so as to substantially fittingly receive the lower portion of the storing section **12** so as to stabilize the latter.

Hence, the holder-dispenser also can also be merely stably supported on a horizontal support surface as opposed to being mounted to a vertical supporting surface. Alternatively, the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **10** may be both supported on a horizontal supporting surface and simultaneously mounted to a vertical supporting surface.

The dispensing section **14** is typically positioned above the spare storing section **12**. Furthermore, the dispensing section **14** typically projects frontwardly relative to the spare storing section **12**.

Typically, the side walls **20** project substantially frontwardly from the front wall **18** defining both an angled pro-

jecting edge **34** and a parallel projecting edge **36** positioned respectively at an angle and in a parallel relationship relative to the front wall **18**.

A lid **38** is typically mounted, at least partially, over the opening defined by the projecting portion of the side walls **20** about the dispensing section **14**. The lid **38** is typically pivotally attached to the remainder of the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **10** by a hinge **40** or other suitable means.

Typically, although by no means exclusively, the lid **38** includes a lid horizontal portion **42**, a lid vertical portion **44** and a lid angled portion **46**. The lid **38** is configured and sized so as to define a dispensing aperture **48** between the distal edge **50** thereof and a peripheral edge **52** of the front wall **18**. The dispensing aperture **48** is adapted to allow through passage of the unrolled free portion **54** of tissue being dispensed from the toilet tissue roll **26**.

As is shown more specifically in FIG. **3**, a spacing rod **56** typically extends between the forwardly projecting segments of the side walls **20** adjacent an upper corner thereof for maintaining the side walls **20** in a predetermined spaced and parallel relationship relative to each other.

As shown more specifically in FIGS. **3** and **4**, a set of cover supporting rods **58** is typically attached to the side walls **20** adjacent an upper peripheral edge thereof and near a rear segment thereof. The cover supporting rods **58** are configured, sized and positioned for supporting the fixed section **60** of the lid **38** for attaching the latter to the remainder of the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **10**.

As shown more specifically in FIG. **2**, a roll supporting component **62** is adapted to be inserted in the central channel **64** formed by the rolls **26** for supporting the latter. As shown more specifically in FIG. **5**, each roll supporting component **62** typically includes a protruding portion, which takes the form of supporting component knob **66** in the embodiment of the invention shown in FIG. **2**, the supporting component knob **66** being adapted to be grasped by an intended user.

Each roll supporting component **62** also includes a cylindrical supporting component core **68** extending outwardly from the supporting component knob **66**. Each roll supporting component **62** typically further includes a supporting component sleeve **70** mounted over the supporting component core **68**. Optionally, a knob decorating disc **72** is mounted over the external surface of the knob **66** for improving the aesthetical appearance of the latter.

As shown more specifically in FIG. **2**, a guiding slot is formed in one of the side walls **20** for allowing movement of the supporting component **62** between the spare storage section **12**, the dispensing section **14** and the supporting component storage section **16**. The guiding slot defines a substantially vertical and elongated slot main segment **74** allowing movement of the supporting component **62** and, hence, of the rolls **26** from the spare storage section **12** towards the dispensing and storage component storing sections **14**, **16**.

The guiding slot also includes a slot auxiliary segment **76** extending substantially forwardly and typically at an angle relative to the slot main segment **74** for allowing movement of the rolls **62** towards the dispensing configuration or location shown by the toilet tissue roll **26'** in FIG. **2**. It has been found that having the slot auxiliary segment angled at an angle of about 90 degrees or less relatively to the slot main segment is advantageous as when the slot main segment **74** is positioned substantially vertically, the slot auxiliary segment **76** is angled substantially downwardly, which stabilizes the toilet tissue roll **26'** towards the dispensing section **14**. However, in alternative embodiments of the invention, the slot main and auxiliary segments **74** and **76** are angled relatively to each other at any other suitable angle.

The guiding slot also includes a slot storing segment **80** for storing the roll supporting component, the slot storing segment extending from one of the slot main and auxiliary segments **74** and **76**. The slot storing segment defines a slot first storing sub-segment **78** and a slot second storing sub-segment **80** extending respectively rearwardly and at an angle and in a parallel relationship downwardly relative to the slot main segment **74**. The slot second storing sub-segment **80** is adapted to store spare supporting component **62** while the slot first storing sub-segment **78** is adapted to allow passage of the spare supporting component **62** towards the second slot storing sub-segment **80**. However, in alternative embodiments of the invention, the slot storing segment extends in any suitable manner from one of the slot main and auxiliary segments **74** and **76**.

The guiding slot also includes a slot enlarged section **82** about the intersection of the slot main segment **74**, the slot dispensing section **76** and the slot first storing sub-segment **78**. The slot enlarged section **82** is configured and sized for allowing through passage of the supporting component sleeve therethrough.

In use, the toilet tissue roll **26'** in the dispensing position is used in a conventional manner by an intended user by pulling on the free section **54** thereof through the dispensing aperture **48**. The cover distal end **50** may be used for facilitating the tearing or severing of the free portion **54**.

Once the toilet tissue roll **26'** is emptied from toilet tissue, the central cylinder of the toilet tissue roll **26'** may be withdrawn by opening the lid **38**. The empty supporting component **62** is then moved towards the supporting component storing section **16** through the slot first and second storing sub-segments **78**, **80**.

A fresh roll of toilet tissue **26** is then moved from the spare storing section **12** to the dispensing section **14** by sliding the corresponding supporting component **62** along the slot main segment **74** and the slot dispensing section **76**. The knob **66** facilitates grasping of the supporting component **62** while the intended user slides the latter across the slot segments.

FIGS. **6** to **10** show a toilet tissue holder-dispenser **110** in accordance with another embodiment of the invention. The toilet tissue holder-dispenser **110** has many similarities with the a toilet tissue holder-dispenser **10** and only the differences between these two toilet tissue holder-dispensers are described in details hereinbelow.

Referring to FIGS. **6** and **7**, the a toilet tissue holder-dispenser **110** includes a housing **111** having a substantially elongated and parallelepipedic configuration, but other configurations are within the scope of the claimed invention. The toilet tissue holder-dispenser **110** defines substantially longitudinally opposed spare storing and dispensing sections **112** and **114**. This configuration has an advantage of being relatively economical to manufacture. The discharge aperture **148** of the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **110** is located substantially laterally in register with the dispensing position in which the roll supporting component is when dispensing toilet tissue.

A guiding slot **115** extends through the housing **111** between the spare storing and dispensing sections **112** and **114**. The guiding slot **115** is substantially rectilinear and typically extends generally vertically when the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **110** is mounted to a support surface, such as a wall. However, in alternative embodiments of the invention, the guiding slot **115** has any other suitable configuration.

A roll supporting component **126**, for example a substantially elongated and substantially cylindrical roll supporting component **126**, extends through the guiding slot **115**. As better seen in FIG. **8**, the roll supporting component defines a

protruding section **117** protruding outwardly from the housing **111** through the guiding slot **115**, the protruding section **117** being graspable by an intended user. The roll supporting component **126** is movable between a spare storing position and a dispensing position, the guiding slot **115** guiding a movement of the roll supporting component **126** between the spare storing and dispensing positions.

The guiding slot **115** defines a slot dispensing section **121**, the roll supporting component **126** extending through the slot dispensing section **121** when the roll supporting component **126** is in the dispensing position. The housing **111** defines a supporting aperture **123** located substantially opposed and substantially in register with the slot dispensing section **121**, the roll supporting component **126** extending through the supporting aperture **123** when the roll supporting component is in the dispensing position. The guiding slot **115** is configured and sized to allow through passage of the roll supporting component **126** therethrough.

In some embodiments of the invention the roll-supporting component **126** defines a substantially annular groove **125** extending substantially radially inwardly thereinto, the groove **125** defining a radially innermost wall **127**. Also, the supporting aperture **123** defines a notch **129** extending substantially longitudinally towards the spare storing section **114**. The notch **129** and the groove **125** are configured and sized such that the notch **125** nestingly receives the radially innermost wall **127** when the roll supporting component **126** is in the dispensing position. This configuration of the roll supporting component **126** and of the notch **125** allows to support relatively effectively and relatively stably a first end of the roll supporting component **126** in the dispensing position.

To support a second end of the roll supporting component located substantially longitudinally opposed to the first end, the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **110** includes a latch operatively coupled to the housing **111** so as to be movable between a latch retaining configuration, shown in FIG. **10**, and a latch accessing configuration, shown in FIG. **9**. In the latch accessing configuration, the latch allows movements of the roll supporting component **126** between the spare storing and dispensing positions and in the latch retaining configuration, the latch prevents movements of the roll supporting component **126** between the spare storing and dispensing positions. Conveniently, in some embodiments of the invention, the latch is movable from the latch retaining configuration to the latch accessing configuration upon moving the roll supporting component **126** from the spare storing position to the dispensing position.

As seen in FIGS. **9** and **10**, in a specific embodiment of the invention, the latch includes a lever **133** pivotally mounted to the housing **111**, the lever **133** being movable between a lever retaining configuration, shown in FIG. **10**, and a lever accessing configuration, shown in FIG. **9**. In the lever retaining configuration, the lever **133** extends substantially across the guiding slot **115**, and in the lever accessing configuration, the lever **113** is substantially retracted from the guiding slot **135**. The lever **133** is attached to the housing **111** substantially adjacent to said slot dispensing section **121**.

A retaining pin **135** protrudes from the housing. The retaining pin **135** is located so as to allow the lever **133** to abut thereagainst when the lever **133** is in the lever retaining configuration. For example, the retaining pin **135** is positioned substantially opposed to an attachment pivot **137** relatively to the guiding slot **115**, the attachment pivot **137** being a pivot through which the lever **133** is pivotally attached to the housing **111**.

In some embodiments of the invention the lever **133** defines a roll-receiving section **139**, which is for example acrsegment shaped. The roll-receiving section **139** extends substantially across the guiding slot **115** when the lever **133** is in the lever retaining configuration. The roll-receiving section **139** is configured and sized for nestingly receiving the roll supporting component **126** in the dispensing position so as to support the roll supporting component **126** while allowing a rotation of the roll supporting **126** component about its longitudinal axis.

The housing **111** defines an end aperture **137** located substantially longitudinally opposed to the spare storing section **112**. The toilet tissue holder-dispenser **110** also includes a lid **138**, the lid **138** being movable between a closed configuration and an open configuration, wherein in the closed configuration, the lid **138** extends substantially across the end aperture **137** and in the open configuration, the lid **138** is substantially retracted from the end aperture **137**. For example, but non-limitingly, the lid **138** is hingedly attached to the housing **111** substantially adjacent to the end aperture **137**.

In some embodiments of the invention, the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **110** is attachable to a wall or any other suitable supporting surface using fasteners, such as conventional screws. To that effect the housing **111** defining attachment apertures **180**, better seen in FIG. **8**, extending therethrough for receiving the fasteners, similarly to the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **10**.

In use, spare toilet tissue rolls are stored in the spare storing section **114**. To bring a toilet tissue roll to the dispensing section **112**, the roll supporting component **126** is inserted by the intended user through the guiding slot **115** and the central cylinder of the toilet tissue roll **26**. Then, the toilet tissue roll **26** is lifted towards the dispensing section **114** using the grasping section **117**. The guiding slot **115** guides the movement of the toilet tissue roll **26**, which eases the operation of the toilet tissue holder-dispenser **110**, which is an advantage, for example, for people having motricity problems.

When the roll supporting component **126** reaches and abuts against the lever **133**, the roll supporting component **126** pivots the lever **133** towards the lever accessing configuration as it is moved towards the dispensing section **114**. Once the roll supporting component **126** has cleared the lever **133**, the lever **133** returns to the lever retaining configuration under the action of gravity until it abuts against the pin **135**. Then the intended user positions the roll supporting component **126** so that it is supported by the notch **129** and the roll supporting section **133**.

When the toilet tissue roll **26** is empty, the intended user lifts the lid **138**, grabs the empty central cylinder and withdraw the roll supporting component **126** through the guiding slot **115**, which allows removal of the empty central cylinder from the housing **111**. This is made possible in part by the relative proximity of the lid and dispensing sections. The roll supporting component **126** can then be used once again as described hereinabove.

Although the present invention has been described hereinabove by way of preferred embodiments thereof, it can be modified, without departing from the spirit and nature of the subject invention as defined in the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

1. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser for holding a toilet tissue roll and allowing dispensing of toilet tissue therefrom, said toilet tissue holder-dispenser being usable by an intended user, said toilet tissue holder-dispenser comprising:

a housing, said housing defining a spare storing section and a distinct dispensing section, said dispensing section defining a dispensing aperture, said toilet tissue roll

being alternatively positionable within said spare storing section and said dispensing section, said housing defining a guiding slot extending therethrough between said spare storing and dispensing sections; and

a roll supporting component for supporting said toilet tissue roll, said roll supporting component extending through said guiding slot, said roll supporting component defining a protruding section protruding outwardly from said housing through said guiding slot, said protruding section being graspable by said intended user, said roll supporting component being movable between a spare storing position and a dispensing position, said guiding slot guiding a movement of said roll supporting component between said spare storing and dispensing positions;

wherein when said roll supporting component supports said toilet tissue roll,

when said roll supporting component is in said spare storing position, said toilet tissue roll is located within said spare storing section;

when said roll supporting component is in said dispensing position, said toilet tissue roll is located within said dispensing section and positioned to allow dispensing of said toilet tissue from said dispensing aperture; and

moving said roll supporting component between said spare storing and dispensing positions moves said toilet tissue roll between respectively said spare storing and dispensing sections;

said toilet tissue holder-dispenser further comprising a latch operatively coupled to said housing so as to be movable between a latch retaining configuration and a latch accessing configuration, wherein in said latch accessing configuration, said latch allows movements of said roll supporting component between said spare storing and dispensing positions and in said latch retaining configuration, said latch prevents movements of said roll supporting component between said spare storing and dispensing positions, said latch including a lever pivotally mounted to said housing, said lever being movable between a lever retaining configuration and a lever accessing configuration, wherein in said lever retaining configuration, said lever extends substantially across said guiding slot, and in said lever accessing configuration, said lever is substantially retracted from said guiding slot.

2. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser as defined in claim **1**, wherein said latch is movable from said latch retaining configuration to said latch accessing configuration upon moving said roll supporting component from said spare storing position to said dispensing position.

3. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser as defined in claim **1**, further comprising a retaining pin protruding from said housing, said retaining pin being located so as to allow said lever to abut thereagainst when said lever is in said lever retaining configuration.

4. A toilet tissue-holder-dispenser as defined in claim **1**, wherein said lever defines a roll-receiving section extending substantially across said guiding slot when said lever is in said lever retaining configuration, said roll-receiving section being configured and sized for nestingly receiving said roll supporting component in said dispensing position so as to support said roll supporting component while allowing a rotation of said roll supporting component about its longitudinal axis.

5. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser as defined in claim **1**, wherein

said guiding slot defines a slot dispensing section, said roll supporting component extending through said slot dispensing section when said roll supporting component is in said dispensing position; and

said housing defines a supporting aperture located substantially opposed and substantially in register with said slot dispensing section, said roll supporting component extending through said supporting aperture when said roll supporting component is in said dispensing position.

6. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser as defined in claim **5**, wherein

said roll-supporting component defines a substantially annular groove extending substantially radially inwardly thereinto, said groove defining a radially innermost wall;

said supporting aperture defines a notch extending substantially longitudinally towards said spare storing section

said notch and said substantially annular groove being configured and sized such that said notch nestingly receives said radially innermost wall when said roll supporting component is in said dispensing position.

7. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser as defined in claim **1**, wherein said housing defines an end aperture located substantially longitudinally opposed to said spare storing section, said toilet tissue holder-dispenser further comprising a lid, said lid being movable between a closed configuration and an open configuration, wherein in said closed configuration, said lid extends substantially across said end aperture and in said open configuration, said lid is substantially retracted from said end aperture.

8. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser as defined in claim **7**, wherein said lid is hingedly attached to said housing substantially adjacent to said end aperture.

9. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser as defined in claim **1**, wherein said discharge aperture is located substantially laterally in register with said dispensing position.

10. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser as defined in claim **1**, wherein said housing is substantially elongated and said spare storing section is substantially longitudinally opposed to said dispensing section.

11. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser as defined in claim **10**, wherein said guiding slot is substantially rectilinear.

12. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser as defined in claim **1**, wherein said guiding slot configured and sized to allow through passage of said roll supporting component therethrough.

13. A toilet tissue holder-dispenser as defined in claim **1**, wherein said toilet tissue holder-dispenser is attachable to a wall using fasteners, said housing defining attachment apertures extending therethrough for receiving said fasteners.

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